Calling Attention to a Matter of Urgent Public Importance *re:* Pay Bills of Teachers of Aided and TDB Schools by DTO, Raichur.

Sri M. NAGAPPA.—I call the attention of the Minister for Education to the return of pay Bills of the teachers of the aided schools and Taluk Development Board Schools by the District Treasury Officer, Raichur.

Sri K. V. SHANKARA GOWDA.—The Hon'ble Member has called attention to the action of the District Treasury Officer, Raichur in returning the salary grant bills of Teachers of aided Schools for the month of January 1969. The Director of Treasuries had suggested that before a Grant-in-aid Bill could be paid, there should be an order of sanction of Grant-in-aid to the School concerned. He stated that it may be difficult for the Treasury Officers to admit bills for payment without a copy of the order of sanction. This was examined by Government and the Director was informed that the monthly bills presented by Schools through the District Educational Officers were only advance salary bills and the actual Grant-in-Aid Bills will be passed for payment after audit, etc. Since the monthly payments are provisional, they do not require sanction of the Director of Public Instruction or Government. However, the Director stated that for the final bill, a copy of the order sanctioning the grant may be enclosed. Accordingly, a Government order was issued on 1st February 1969 adding a note below Rule 61 of the Grant-in-aid Code for Secondary Schools that the Director of Public Instruction should issue an order giving the list of High Schools in each District which are eligible to receive Maintenance Grant. It is understood that on receipt of this order, some Treasury Officers had refused to pay the grants for the salary bills of January 1969. The Director of Public Instruction has taken action to send a list of Schools eligible for advance salary grant and the District Educational Officers have been instructed to give necessary certificates. It was not foreseen that the Treasury Officers would enforce the new Rule even for the pay bill of January 1969. In view of the instructions issued now, the difficulty felt by the teachers will not arise in future.

ಶ್ರೀ ಸಿ. ಎಂ. ಎಸ್. ಶಾಸ್ತ್ರಿ.—ರೂರ್ 79ರ ಪ್ರಕಾರ ನಾನೊಂದು ನೋಟೀಸ್ ಕಳಿಸಿದ್ದೆ. 500 ಜನ ಹೆಣ್ಣುಮಕ್ಕಳು ಓದುತ್ತಿರುವ ಹೈಸ್ಕೂಲಿಗೆ ಅದು ಸಂಬಂಧಪಟ್ಟಿದೆ.

Mr. SPEAKER.—I shall look into it.

Papers laid on the Table

Sri MOHAMED ALI (Minister for Transport and Tourism).—I beg to lay :

(*a*) (i) Notification No. HD 9 TMT 66, dated 20th December 1968.

The Mysore Motor Vehicles Taxation (Second Amendment) Rules, 1968.